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The News Brief is provided to you by the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Training and Technical Assistance Center (TTAC) at Brandeis University. The News Brief consolidates information on various topics related to prescription drugs which may be of interest to PDMPs and other state agencies, federal partners, and other stakeholders. The TTAC team will strive to include relevant articles, news stories, and general information specific to PDMPs as well as general prescription drug facts. The TTAC welcomes comments and suggestions about the information included in the News Brief. Please send your comments to: info@pdmpassist.org.

2014 Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) National Meeting

The 10th Annual Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program National Meeting will be held in Washington, D.C. from September 22 - 24 at the Marriott Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005. Among the invited speakers are Michael Botticelli (Acting Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy) and Congressman Harold Rogers. This year's meeting contains several important topics for State PDMP Administrators and other stakeholders: new PDMP initiatives, Best Practices employed by PDMPs, round table discussion on prescription drug diversion and abuse, Prescription Monitoring Information Exchange (PMIX) National Architecture enhancements, Data-Driven Multi-Disciplinary Pilot Projects, data transmission from Indian Health Services and Veterans Affairs to PDMPs, and the latest research on PDMPs and identifying at-risk patients. Additionally, the Drug Enforcement Administration, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Centers for Disease Control, National Alliance for Model State Drug Laws, PDMP Center of Excellence, and Bureau of Justice Assistance have been invited to offer remarks. If you have not already registered, please do so. View the [REGISTRATION](#) form and preliminary [AGENDA](#).

Items of Interest

[Increasing Access to Medication to Treat Opioid Addiction – Increasing Access for the Treatment of Opioid Addiction with Medications](#)

American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence, Inc.

The Opioid Prescription Epidemic and the Role of Emergency Medicine

	Annals of Emergency Medicine
<u>The Challenges of Bottling Up Prescription Drug Abuse</u>	Billings Gazette
<u>CADCA to Unveil New Products to Help Address Prescription Drug Abuse</u>	CADCA.org
<u>Are You Up for the CADCA 50 Challenge?</u>	CADCA.org
<u>Anti-meth Law Among Those Taking Effect in Tennessee Today</u>	Chattanooga Times Free Press
<u>Hospital Network Hacked, 4.5 Million Records Stolen</u>	CNN Money
<u>Special Report: The Dangers of Painkillers</u>	Consumer Reports
<u>California Prop 46 Requiring Physicians to Check Statewide Prescription Drug Database Can Save Up to \$406 Million Annually</u>	Consumer Watchdog
<u>Heroin Abuse Bill Establishes Federal Funding For Inpatient Care</u>	The Courant
<u>Houses of Meth: Is There One Coming to Your Neighborhood?</u>	The Fix
<u>Witness to Corruption: The Merchants of Speed or the Modern-Day ADHD Medicine Show</u>	Huffington Post
<u>Zohydro Approval by Food and Drug Administration: Controversial or Frightening?</u>	Journal American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians
<u>FDA Approves New Opioid Pain Reliever Designed to be Hard to Abuse</u>	Los Angeles Times
<u>Drug Courts, Meant to Aid Addicts, Now a Battlefield of Pot Politics</u>	Los Angeles Times
<u>Are Medicare's Patient Satisfaction Surveys Contributing to Opioid Abuse?</u>	Medical Economics
<u>State to Focus on Reducing Prescription Drug Abuse</u>	National Governors Association
<u>Veterans Kick the Prescription Pill Habit, Against Doctors' Orders</u>	National Public Radio
<u>Colorado Case Puts Workplace Drug Policies to the Test</u>	National Public Radio
<u>California Asks: Should Doctors Face Drug Tests?</u>	New York Times
<u>Dealing With Opioid Abuse Would Pay for Itself</u>	New York Times
<u>FedEx Faces Charges for Delivering Prescription Drugs for Illegal Internet Pharmacies</u>	Partnership for Drug-Free Kids
<u>Using Every Tool to Fight Addiction</u>	Phoenix House
<u>Illinois Legalizes Medical Marijuana for Children with Seizures</u>	Reuters
<u>State Approaches to Addressing Drugged Driving</u>	SAMHSA
<u>World Drug Report 2014</u>	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
<u>Efforts to Control Prescription Drug Abuse: Why Clinicians Should be Concerned and Take Action as Essential Advocates for Rational Policy</u>	Wiley Online Library

Prescription Drug Studies and Research

<u>Treatment for Heroin Addiction Should Continue After Hospital Discharge: Study</u>	HealthDay
<u>Emergency Department Visits by Adults for Psychiatric Medication Adverse Events</u>	JAMA Psychiatry

[Telecare Collaborative Management of Chronic Pain in Primary Care](#)

Journal of the American Medical Association

[Nonmedical Use of Stimulants Among Medical Students](#)

Journal of the American Osteopathic Association

[Oregon's Strategy to Confront Prescription Opioid Misuse: A Case Study](#)

Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment

[Emergency Department Visits Attributed to Overmedication That Involved the Insomnia Medication Zolpidem](#)

SAMHSA

[Feds Test How Stoned is Too Stoned to Drive](#)

USA Today

[One in Four People Living on the Street Say They Have Chronic Drug or Alcohol Problems](#)

The Washington Post

[New Kansas Law Expands Medical Services Pharmacists Can Provide](#)

Wichita Business Journal

Upcoming Training Opportunities and Conferences

September

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| 13-14 | DEA Pharmacy Diversion Awareness Conference – Phoenix, AZ |
| 15-18 | National Prevention Network – 27th Annual Prevention Research Conference – Hartford, CT |
| 18 | The Partnership for Safe Medicines 5th Annual Conference – Washington, D.C. |
| 18-21 | American Academy of Pain Management 2014 Annual Clinic Meeting – Phoenix, AZ |
| 22-24 | 2014 Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program National Meeting – Washington, D.C. |
| 26-10/1 | 2014 Annual Conference of National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC) - Seattle, WA |
| 29-10/1 | National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators – 14th Annual Basic Diversion School – Virginia Beach, VA |
| 30-10/1 | DEA National Conference on Pharmaceutical and Chemical Diversion – Kansas City, MO |

October

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| 16-17 | 2014 Public Health Law Conference – Atlanta, GA |
| 18-22 | National Community Pharmacists Association Annual Convention – Austin, TX |

21-24 [2014 National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities \(NASCSA\) Conference](#) – Savannah, GA

November

15-19 [142nd Annual American Public Health Association \(APHA\) Meeting and Exposition](#) – New Orleans, LA

18-21 [National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators - 25th Anniversary Annual Conference](#) – Cincinnati, OH

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